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REMARKS

Only allowed and allowable claims 2, 9, 27-33, 35, 42, 52, 60-66, 71, 72, 75, and 78 are pending in this application to expedite the allowance of this application.

Amendment

Rejected and non-elected claims 1, 3-8, 10-26, 34, 36-41, 43-51, 53-59, 67-70, 73, 74, 76, and 77 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 2, 9, 35, 42, and 52 have been placed in independent form to place them in condition for allowance.

No new matter has been introduced.

Allowed & Allowable Claims

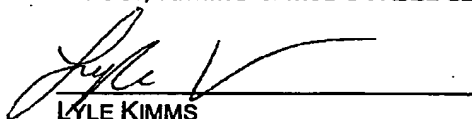
Claims 27-33, 60-66, 71, 72, 75, and 78 were allowed. Claims 2, 9, 35, 42, and 52 were indicated to be allowable if they are placed in independent form. As these claims have been placed in independent form, they are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Should the examiner have any issues concerning this reply or any other outstanding issues remaining in this application, applicants urge the examiner to contact the undersigned to expedite prosecution.

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